

# Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church



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*Welcome to Worship at  
Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church!*

*Our faith community extends a warm welcome to all worshipping  
with us today and hopes that you will return often.*

*Welcoming All, Serving Christ, Transforming Lives*

The Service for the Lord's Day;  
Third Sunday of Easter; April 26, 2020  
*Our Vocalist today is Gerald Doyle.*

CHIMING OF THE BELLS

WELCOME

Rev. Nancy Dawson

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Nancy Dawson

PASSING OF THE PEACE

*We offer God's peace to one another in the ancient words of the church:  
"The peace of Christ be with you." & response "And also with you."*

PRELUDE

*Easter Prelude*

arr. Ellson

DISCIPLES GATHER TO WORSHIP GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Nancy Dawson Liturgist

L: We gather to worship and glorify the Lord.

P: Christ lives here and now. He is among us at this and every moment.

L: Joyful is the sound we make this morning!

P: For this day liberates us from doubt and fear

L: This day moves us past darkness and despair.

P: Praise the Lord!

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Nancy Dawson, Liturgist

God of glory, fill your people with the power that flows from Christ's resurrection so that, in the midst of this broken world, it may signal the beginning of new life with Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit. Amen

## HYMN #233

## *The Day of Resurrection!*

The day of resurrection!  
Earth, tell it out abroad,  
the Passover of gladness,  
the Passover of God.  
From death to life eternal,  
from sin's dominion free,  
our Christ has brought us over  
with hymns of victory.

Let hearts be purged of evil  
that we may see aright  
the Lord in rays eternal  
of resurrection light,

and listening to his accents,  
may hear, so calm and plain,  
his own "All hail!" and hearing,  
may raise the victor strain.

Now let the heavens be joyful;  
let earth its song begin;  
the round world keep high triumph  
and all that is therein.

Let all things seen and unseen  
their notes of gladness blend,  
for Christ the Lord has risen,  
our joy that has no end.

## CALL TO CONFESSION

God calls us to live a resurrection life but too often we allow fear and self-centeredness to guide us and we run away from God and turn to our own ways. The good news is that God's love and grace are unending and forgiveness is ours as we confess our sins before God and each other. Let us turn to God in humble prayer first together then silently knowing that God is rich in mercy and grace.

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION:

God of mercy, we come with humble hearts, awed and thankful for Jesus' gift of new life over death and sin. Forgive us for failing to live as resurrection people. Help us to find joy in each day. Lead us to fullness of life that you intend for all your children. In the name of Jesus, we pray, AMEN

*(Please take a moment of silence for personal confession and reflection.)*

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died. Out of the great love which the Lord offers us, we have been made alive together with Christ. For by grace you have been saved. Thanks be to God!

## DISCIPLES LISTEN TO THE WORD OF GOD

### SCRIPTURE

Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19

Gerald Doyle, Lector

I love the Lord, because he has heard my voice and my supplications. Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live. The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish. Then I called on the name of the Lord: "O Lord, I pray, save my life!"

What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me? I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord, I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his faithful ones. O Lord, I am your servant; I am your servant, the child of your serving girl. You have loosed my bonds. I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice and call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the house of the Lord, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!

## SCRIPTURE READING

Luke 24:13-35

Skip Wodke

Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?" They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?" He asked them, "What things?" They replied, "The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him." Then he said to them, "Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?" Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures. As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, "Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?" That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, "The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

## SERMON

Am I Going in the Right Direction?

Skip Wodke

## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "A Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and in death we belong to God.  
 Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,  
 we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,  
 whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.  
 Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:  
 preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,

teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,  
 healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,  
 eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners and calling all to  
 repent and believe the gospel.  
 Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus  
 was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain  
 and giving his life for the sins of the world.

God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.  
With believers in every time and place,  
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death

can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost.

## HYMN #236

### *The Strife is O'er*

Refrain:

Alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

The three sad days are quickly sped;

The strife is o'er, the battle done;

Christ rises glorious from the dead:

the victory of life is won;

all glory to our risen Head!

the song of triumph has begun.

Alleluia!

Alleluia!

Lord, by the stripes which wounded thee,

The powers of death have done their worst,

from death's dread sting thy servants free,

but Christ their legions hath dispersed:

that we may live, and sing to thee:

let shouts of holy joy outburst.

Alleluia! [Refrain]

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Nancy Dawson

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,  
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts,  
As we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation.  
But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power,  
and the glory, forever. Amen.

## BENEDICTION

Nancy Dawson

## POSTLUDE

*Alleluia! Sing To Jesus!*

arr. Smith

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